

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests that the above amendment be entered and the objections be reconsidered in view of the above amendment and the following remarks.

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the allowance of all the claims 1-4.

In response to the rejection of claims 5-6 under 35 USC 102, allegedly for being anticipated by US5602614 (Ohtsuka) the applicant traverses the rejection as follows.

According to the Office Action Ohtsuda discloses "means (7) for increasing the number of pictures to be processed per time unit (col. 28, lines 27-50).

Applicant has carefully considered the citation at col. 28, lines 27-50 and there is no suggestion of "means for increasing the number of pictures to be processed per time unit". In claims 5-6 of the present application, a control system comprises the means for increasing the number of pictures to be processed per time unit. In the citation there is no suggestion that a control system provide such a function.

All of the claims are in condition for allowance and applicant respectfully requests allowance of this case.

Please charge any fee deficiencies and credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 14-1270.

Respectfully submitted,

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